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Box AF Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2002, due April 11, 2002, without extension fees, applicants present the following amendment and remarks. Claims 80-93 are pending in this application. Claims 80-93 stand rejected. Also submitted herewith is a Notice of Appeal.